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SMART CARD PERSONALIZATION IN A MULTISTATION

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All Charles In response to the final Office Action mailed March 1, 2000, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and enter the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified patent application.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a three-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from June 1, 2000 to September 1, 2000.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 14, 20 and 35 without prejudice.

Please amend the following claims:

A computerized system for controlling programming of portable 10. [Amended] programmed data carriers across a plurality of personalization stations, the system comprising:

a personalization server interface for acquiring services from one or more resources, transferring card information associated with a card object identifier to one of the personalization stations, and controlling the programming of the portable programmed data carriers in response to a request from one of the personalization stations; [and]

a personalization station interface for requesting and receiving the card information associated with the card object identifier from the personalization server interface and for programming one of the portable programmed data carriers[.]; and